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TRANSMITTAL FOR A NEWLY EXECUTED ORIGINAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) for:

Inventors: David W. Johnson, Mark E. Darling, Douglas K. Miller, Jonathan M. Reich

For: ALFALFA PLANTS HAVING IMPROVED STANDABILITY AND/OR FAST RECOVERY AFTER HARVEST AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING SAME

- 1. This is a new \square Utility \square Design \square Plant patent application.
- 2. The papers enclosed to obtain a filing date are as follows:
 - 56 Pages of Specification including:

 0 Title Page
 51 Pages of Description
 4 Pages of Claims
 - 1 Page of Abstract
 1 Sheets of drawings
- 3. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed and executed by all inventors.
- 4. Language: English
- 5. Priority based on provisional application(s) 35 U.S.C. §119(e)

Priority of the following provisional application(s) is claimed:

Application No.	Filed
60/422,857	November 1, 2002

6. Small entity status is hereby asserted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.



7. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

				Basic Fee
	Number Filed	Number Extra	at Rate of	Utility \$770.00
			BASIC FEE	770.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	34 - 20 =	14	18.00	252.00
Independent Claims		,		774.00
(37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	12 - 3 =	9	86.00	
Multiple dependent claim	(s), if any (37 C.F.R	. §1.16(d))	290.00	290.00
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Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity			1,043.00	
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8. Fee Payment

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9. . Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

Respectfully submitted,

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